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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Plans

FROM: Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT: Relinquishment of Unclassified OSS Film

This memorandum confirms my telephone conversation of today.

The Director asked me to transmit his decision regarding OSS film in CIA possession.

He desires that all OSS film in Agency custody be reviewed and all that pertains to the military and which has no security value be turned over to the Defense Department for such use or disposition as that Department may determine.

In this connection John E. Horton, Washington Representative of Universal Pictures Company, Inc., has for months been trying unsuccessfully to secure some color footage of landings at Salerno and Sicily by the Third Infantry division for use in a forthcoming picture starring Audie Murphy. Mr. Horton states that B. B. Adams, Naval Photographic Center, has learned that 28 rolls of 16 mm. Kodachrome, uncatalogued and filed under an OSS code, is in CIA possession and that he, Adams, has been in touch with CIA film section to get this for the Navy, which in turn would turn it over to Mr. Horton. It is contemplated informing Mr. Horton, through Julius Ochs Adler who has intervened in Horton's behalf, of the Director's decision re disposition of OSS film.

of the Graphics Registry, OCD, have some knowledge of the Horton request and where the footage is located.

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